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(U) HORN OF AFRICA/GULF OF GUINEA/ SOUTHEAST ASIA: Piracy Analysis and Warning Weekly (PAWW) Report for 23 - 29 July 2015

30 July 2015

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(U) The Piracy Analysis and Warning Weekly (PAWW) report includes a review of recent piracy and maritime crime incidents and an outlook on threats in the Horn of Africa.

2. (U) Horn of Africa - Piracy Events Over The Past Week

(U) Pirate and maritime crime activity in East African waters is at a low level. There were no reported events during this one-week period.

A. (U) Details:

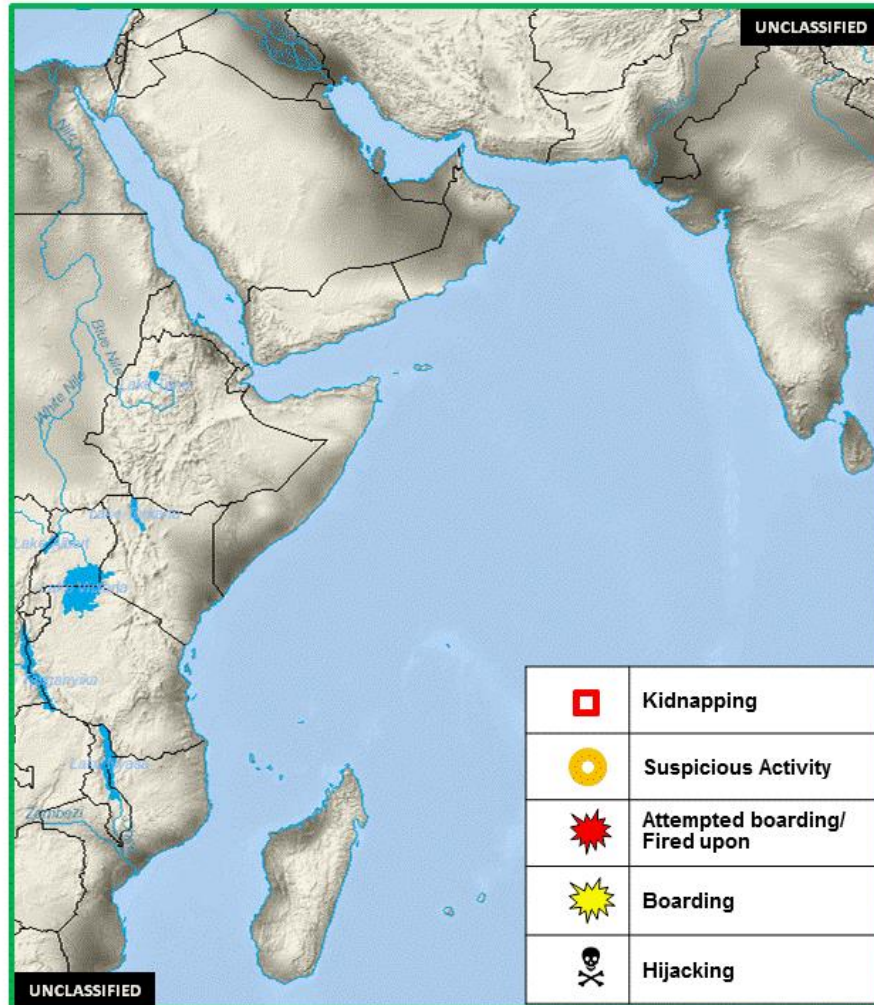
(U) Vessels Hijacked: No incidents to report.

(U) Vessels Boarded: No incidents to report.

(U) Vessels Fired Upon/Attempted Boardings: No incidents to report.

(U) Other Activity: No incidents to report.

B. (U) Incident Disposition:



(U) Figure 1. HoA Maritime Crime Activity, 23 - 29 July 2015

C. (U) Tabulated Data for Horn of Africa Activity

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(U) Table 1. (U) Summary of Horn of Africa Piracy Events									
Vessels	This Week	Last Week	Jul. 2015	Jun. 2015	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Hijacked	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	27
Boarding	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	17
Fired Upon/Attempted Boarding	0	0	0	0	0	2	9	24	122
Total	0	0	0	0	0	2	9	32	166
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(U) Table 1 is a summary of piracy events that have occurred this week, this month, and current/prior years. Note: The above statistics do not include regional dhows/fishing vessels that were hijacked. Hijacked dhows are frequently used as motherships by pirates and released without a ransom being paid.

3. (U) Horn of Africa - Currently Hijacked Vessels

(U) Pirates are no longer holding any hijacked vessels off the coast of Somalia.

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(U) Table 2. (U) Currently Hijacked Vessels			
Name	Flag	Type	Hijacked Date
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
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(U) Table 2 is a summary of ships currently held by pirates. Note: The above statistics do not include regional dhows/fishing vessels that were hijacked.

4. (U) Weather Forecast for 30 July - 5 August 2015 and Graphic Aids to 10-Day Weather Conditions and Small Boat Operations Capabilities

(U) Horn of Africa Weather Forecast for 30 July - 5 August 2015

A. (U) NORTHERN ARABIAN SEA: Southwest winds of 20 - 25 knots and seas of 10 - 12 feet. **EXTENDED FORECAST:** Southwest winds of 20 - 25 knots and seas of 8 - 10 feet.

B. (U) GULF OF OMAN: Southeast winds of 10 - 15 knots with seas of 3 - 5 feet in the western section of the Gulf; with southeast winds of 10 - 15 knots and seas of 3 - 5 feet in the eastern section of the Gulf. **EXTENDED FORECAST:** West-southwest winds of 10 - 15 knots with seas of 3 - 5 feet in the western section of the Gulf; with west-southwest winds of 10 - 15 knots with seas of 3 - 5 feet in the eastern section of the Gulf.

C. (U) GULF OF ADEN: Southwest winds of 5 - 10 knots, gusting to 15 knots, and seas of 2 - 4 feet in the western section of the Gulf; with southwest winds of 10 - 15 knots and seas of 3 - 5 feet in the eastern section of the Gulf. **EXTENDED FORECAST:** Southwest winds of 5 - 10 knots and seas of 3 - 5 feet in the western section of the Gulf; with southwest winds of 5 - 10 knots and seas of 3 - 5 feet in the eastern section of the Gulf.

D. (U) SOMALI COAST: Southwest winds of 20 - 25 knots and seas of 7 - 9 feet in the northern section of the coastline; with southerly winds of 20 - 25 knots and seas of 6 - 8 feet in the southern section of the coastline. **EXTENDED FORECAST:** Southwest winds of 25 - 30 knots and seas of 7 - 9 feet in the northern section of the coastline; with southerly winds of 15 - 20 knots and seas of 6 - 8 feet in the southern section of the coastline.

E. (U) CENTRAL AFRICAN COAST/INDIAN OCEAN: Southeast winds of 15 - 20 knots and seas of 4 - 6 feet. **EXTENDED FORECAST:** Southeast winds of 15 - 20 knots and seas of 4 - 6 feet.

F. (U) MOZAMBIQUE CHANNEL: South-southeast winds of 8 - 13 knots and seas of 5 - 7 feet in the northern Channel; with southerly winds of 5 - 10 knots and seas of 4 - 6 feet in the southern Channel. **EXTENDED FORECAST:** East-southeast winds of 8 - 13 knots and seas of 3 - 5 feet in the northern Channel; with east-southeast winds of 10 - 15 knots and seas of 3 - 5 feet in the southern Channel.

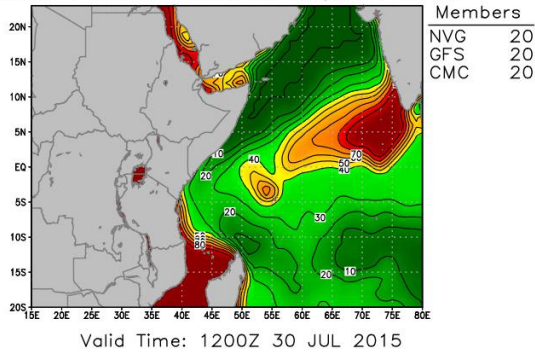
G. (U) SURFACE CURRENTS: The northern Arabian Sea and Gulf of Aden currents are variable with most areas having average speed of 1 knot. The Mozambique Channel currents are variable having an average speed of 2 knots. Currents speeds along the Somali Basin are northeasterly averaging between 1 - 2 knots.

H. (U) SYNOPTIC DISCUSSION: A monsoonal trough drapes across the southern Red Sea into the Arabian Gulf, Afghanistan and India, increasing moisture and instability over the southern portion of the region as monsoonal winds continues to elevate the seas in the Arabian Sea.

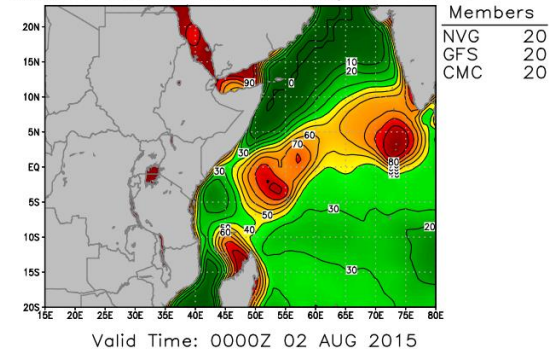
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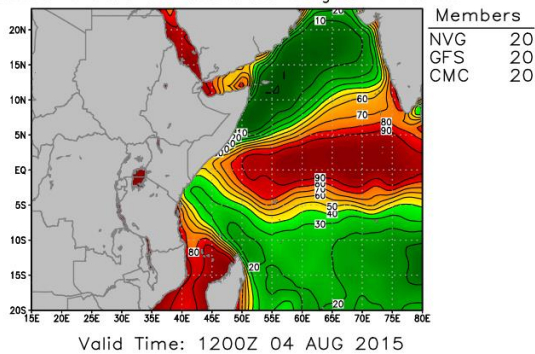
Winds < 15.0 kts and Wave Heights < 5.0 ft



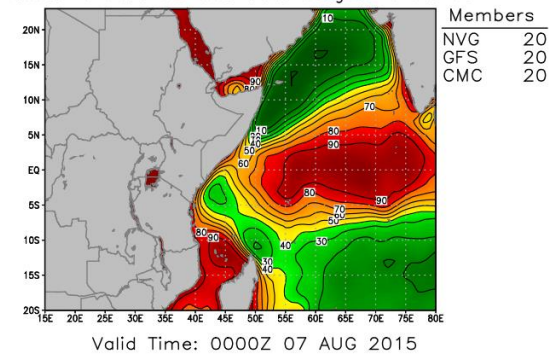
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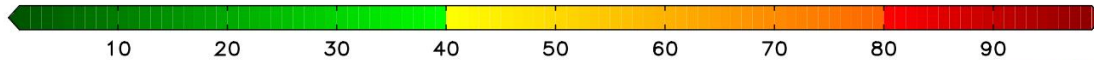
Winds < 17.0 kts and Wave Heights < 7.0 ft



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probability (%)



(U) Figure 2. Ten-Day Piracy Small Boat Operations Weather Forecast (Graphic courtesy of the Fleet Numerical Meteorology and Oceanography Center, FNMOC)

(U) In the graphic above, green shading represents a reduced likelihood of pirate activity while red represents a higher likelihood of pirate activity.

5. (U) Gulf of Guinea Scope Note

(U) The Piracy Analysis and Warning Weekly (PAWW) Report includes a review of recent piracy and maritime crime incidents and an outlook on threats in the Gulf of Guinea.

6. (U) Gulf of Guinea - Piracy Events Over The Past Week

(U) Pirate and maritime crime activity in West African waters is at a low level. There were no reported events during this one-week period.

A. (U) Details

(U) **Vessels Hijacked:** No incidents to report.

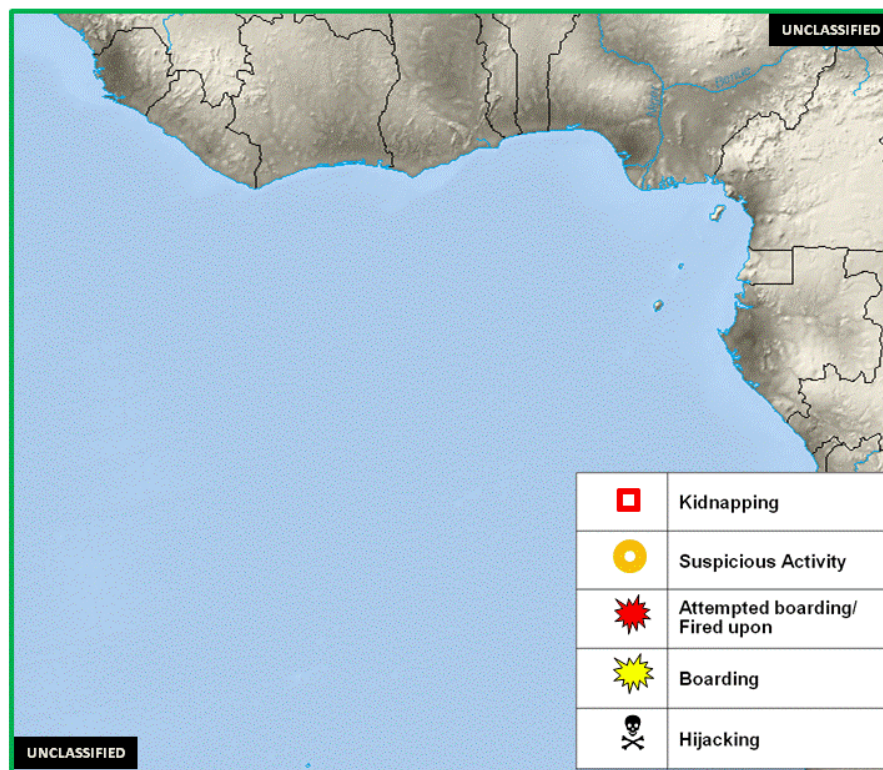
(U) **Kidnapping:** No incidents to report.

(U) **Vessels Boarded:** No incidents to report.

(U) **Vessels Fired Upon/Attempted Boardings:** No incidents to report.

(U) **Other Activity:** No incidents to report.

B. (U) Incident Disposition



(U) Figure 3. GoG Maritime Crime Activity, 23 - 29 July 2015

C. (U) Tabulated Data for Gulf of Guinea Activity

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(U) Table 3. (U) Summary of Gulf of Guinea Piracy Events									
Vessels	This Week	Last Week	Jul 2015	Jun 2015	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Hijacked	0	0	0	0	2	9	11	14	19
Boarding	0	0	6	2	23	33	26	31	41
Fired Upon/Attempted Boarding	3	1	4	5	22	31	43	30	26
Kidnapping	0	0	1	2	18	26	32	14	18
Total	3	1	11	9	65	99	112	89	104
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(U) Table 3 is a summary of piracy events that have occurred this week, this month, and current/prior years. This table includes incidents not described in this product line.

7. Currently Hijacked Vessels

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(U) Table 4. (U) Currently Hijacked Vessels			
Name	Flag	Type	Hijacked Date
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
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(U) Table 4 is a summary of ships currently held by pirates. Note: The above statistics do not include regional dhows/fishing vessels that were hijacked.

8. (U) Gulf of Guinea Weather Forecast for 30 July - 5 August 2015

A. (U) GULF OF GUINEA: Southwest winds of 10 - 15 knots and seas of 5 - 7 feet. **EXTENDED FORECAST:** Southwest winds of 10 - 15 knots and seas of 5 - 7 feet.

B. (U) SYNOPTIC DISCUSSION: Expect partly to mostly cloudy conditions for the Gulf of Guinea with associated rain showers.

9. (U) Southeast Asia Scope Note

(U) The Piracy Analysis and Warning Weekly (PAWW) report includes a review of recent piracy and maritime crime incidents and an outlook on threats in Southeast Asia.

10. (U) Southeast Asia - Piracy Events Over The Past Week

(U) Pirate and maritime crime activity in Southeast Asia waters is at a medium level. There was one boarding event and one fuel smuggling event reported during this one-week period, with late reporting about an attack in the previous week.

A. (U) Details

(U) **Vessels Hijacked:** No incidents to report.

(U) **Kidnapping:** No incidents to report.

(U) Vessels Boarded:

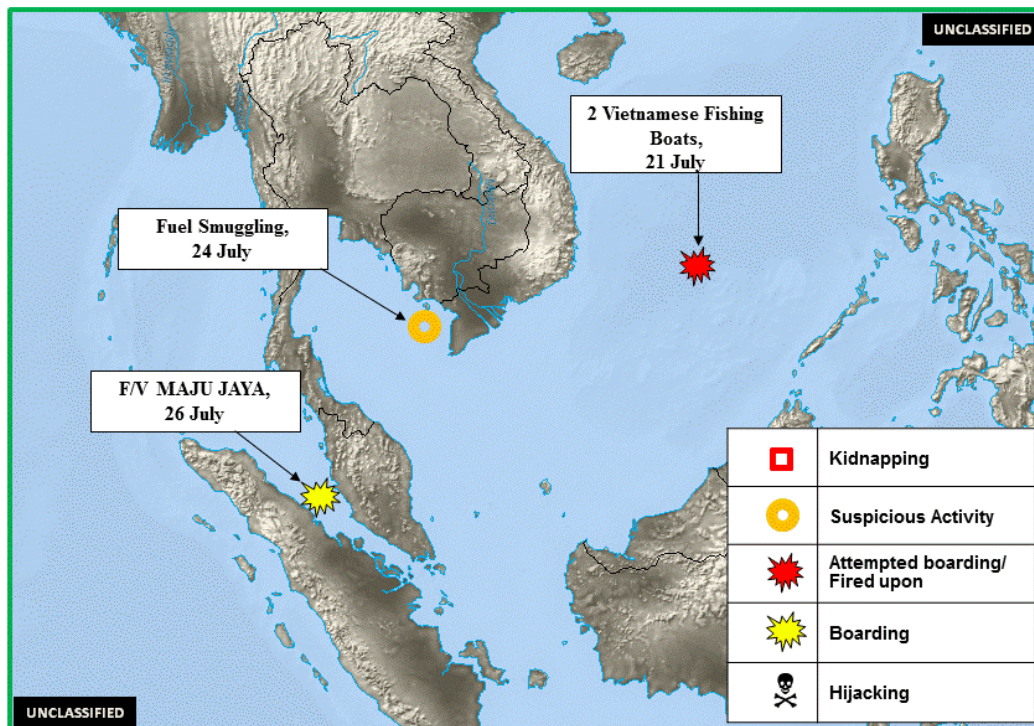
1. (U) ANDAMAN SEA: On 26 July two pirates boarded the Indonesia-flagged fishing boat MAJU JAYA near position 04:53 N - 098:37 E, approximately 60 nm north of Balewan. The pirates ransacked the fishing boat, stole the vessel's documents, electronics, personal mobile phones and fuel, and then departed. Crew unharmed. (www.fleetmon.com)

(U) Vessels Fired Upon/Attempted Boardings: No incidents to report.

(U) Other Activity:

1. (U) VIETNAM: On 24 July, the Vietnamese Coast Guard caught two Thailand-flagged boats smuggling fuel to two Vietnamese fishing boats in the southwestern waters off Phu Quoc Island. One of the Thai boats was carrying 100,000 liters of diesel with three Thai people and four Cambodians aboard. The other, which was carrying 300,000 liters of the oil, had six Cambodians, together with four Thais and a Lao person. The Vietnamese boats had around 30,000 liters. They could not produce legal documents for the oil. According to the coast guard, crew members on the Thai boats said they had been transferring oil to Vietnamese fishing boats illegally, and had done that many times before. (www.baomoi.com)

2. (U) SOUTH CHINA SEA: On 21 July, two Vietnam-flagged fishing boats reported being chased and rammed by a Chinese ship in an area approximately 15 nm west of the western section of the Spratly Islands. Both fishing boat captains reported that navigation lights and other parts of their boats were damaged as a result of the repeated ramming. Reportedly, the Chinese ship had the number 994 on the hull. (www.vietnambreakingnews.com)

B. (U) Incident Disposition

(U) Figure 4. Southeast Asia Maritime Crime Activity, 23 - 29 July 2015

C. (U) Tabulated Data for Southeast Asia Activity

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(U) Table 5. (U) Summary of Southeast Asia Piracy Events									
Vessels	This Week	Last Week	Jul 2015	Jun 2015	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Attacks, Boardings, Kidnappings	3	1	8	27	131	184	176	123	155
Hijackings	0	0	0	3	12	16	7	6	24
Total	3	1	8	30	143	200	183	129	179
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(U) Table 5 is a summary of piracy events that have occurred this week, this month, and current/prior years. This table includes incidents not described in this product line.

11. (U) Southeast Asia - Currently Hijacked Vessels

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(U) Table 6. (U) Currently Hijacked Vessels			
Name	Flag	Type	Hijacked Date
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
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(U) Table 6 is a summary of ships currently held by pirates. Note: The above statistics do not include regional dhows/fishing vessels that were hijacked.

12. (U) Southeast Asia Weather Forecast for 30 July - 5 August 2015

A. (U) South China Sea: Southeast winds of 5 - 10 knots and seas of 2 - 4 feet. **EXTENDED FORECAST:** West-northwest winds of 5 - 10 knots and seas of 2 - 4 feet.

B. (U) Malacca Strait: Southerly winds of 8 - 13 knots and seas of 2 - 4 feet in the northern Strait; with southerly winds of 8 - 13 knots and seas of 2 - 4 feet in the southern Strait. **EXTENDED FORECAST:** Variable winds of 5 - 13 knots and seas of 2 - 4 feet in the northern Strait; with southerly winds of 5 - 10 knots and seas of 2 - 4 feet in the southern Strait.

C. (U) Andaman Sea: Southwest winds of 15 - 20 knots, gusting to 30 knots, and seas of 5 - 7 feet. **EXTENDED FORECAST:** Westerly winds of 15 - 20 knots and seas of 5 - 7 feet.

D. (U) SURFACE CURRENTS: Currents in the South China Sea and Malacca Strait average speeds of 1 knot, while currents in the Andaman Sea average 1 to 2 knots.

E. (U) SYNOPTIC DISCUSSION: Monsoon conditions persist in the region. Tropical Cyclone 02B will impact the Andaman Sea, and portions of the southern South China Sea, bringing increased cloud cover with rain showers and thunderstorms.

(U) Appendix**(U) Terminology and References**

(U) This appendix is provided to promote consistent use of accurate terms of reference in reporting, and it also identifies those references that were used to gather the information contained in this report. Please note that these terms relate to observable activity, are independent of target vessel status, and exclude actions by governmental powers in lawful pursuit of their authorities.

(U) Terms of Reference

(U) The following terms have been adopted to describe the range of criminal anti-shipping activity and impediments to safe navigation in our worldwide reporting and analysis:

- **(U) Attempted Boarding** – Close approach or hull-to-hull contact with report that boarding paraphernalia were employed or visible in the approaching boat.
- **(U) Blocking** – Hampering safe navigation, docking, or undocking of a vessel as a means of protest.
- **(U) Boarding** – Unauthorized boarding of a vessel by persons not part of its complement without successfully taking control of the vessel.
- **(U) Fired Upon** – Weapons discharged at or toward a vessel.
- **(U) Hijacking** – Unauthorized seizure and retention of a vessel by persons not part of its complement.
- **(U) Kidnapping** – Unauthorized forcible removal of persons belonging to the vessel from it.
- **(U) Robbery** – Theft from a vessel or from persons aboard the vessel.
- **(U) Suspicious Approach** – All other unexplained activity in close proximity by an unknown vessel.

(U) Piracy levels

- **(U) High:** 5 or more piracy incidents in this one-week period.
- **(U) Medium:** 2–4 piracy incidents in this one-week period.
- **(U) Low:** 0–1 piracy incidents in this one-week period.

(U) Sourcing

(U) Information contained in this report is derived through direct reporting and analysis of reports from the following agencies and commercial sources:

- Agence France Presse (AFP)
- Associated Press (AP)
- Baltic and International Maritime Council (BIMCO), Denmark
- BBC News
- EU Naval Forces (EU)
- Fairplay (FP), London
- Informa Group (INFO), formerly LLP, Llp Limited, London
- International Maritime Bureau (IMB), London and Kuala Lumpur
- International Maritime Organization (IMO), London
- gCaptain

- Latitude38.com (LAT) website
- Lloyd's List (LL), daily, London
- Local Media (LM)
- LSS-SAPU.com (LSS)
- Maritime Administration (MARAD), U.S.
- The Maritime Executive (website)
- Maritime Security Centre – Horn of Africa (MSCHOA)
- Maritime Security Council (MSC), U.S.
- Maritime Trade Information Sharing Centre – Gulf of Guinea (MTISC-GoG)
- National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA), Navigation Safety System
- North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), Brussels
- Office of Naval Intelligence (ONI) (analysis and comment)
- Operator (owner or operator of affected vessel)
- Overseas Security Advisory Council (OSAC)
- Regional Cooperation Agreement on Combating Piracy and Armed Robbery against Ships in Asia, Information Sharing Center (ReCAAP ISC)
- Reuters
- Royal Australian Navy (RAN)
- Royal New Zealand Navy (RNZN)
- Seafarers' Assistance Program (SAP), Kenya
- Tradewinds (TW)
- United Kingdom Maritime Trade Organization (UKMTO)
- United Press International (UPI)
- U.S. Maritime Liaison Office (MARLO) Bahrain
- U.S. Coast Guard (USCG)
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS)

(U) ICOD: 29 July 2015

(U) The PAWW and WTS Reports are posted each week on the ONI Intel Portal and can be found at:
http://www.oni.navy.mil/Intelligence_Community/piracy.htm